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**PROGRAMA DE APOIO
A PROJETOS
EM SEXUALIDADE
E SAÚDE REPRODUTIVA**

**THEME: 2007
RELIGIONS AND SEXUAL AND
REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS
IN THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SPHERES**

Religion and sexual & reproductive rights in the public and private spheres

Subject I: A renewal of the notions of freedom and autonomy regarding sexuality and reproduction in Brazilian society.

Subject II: Comparison of behaviour and decision-making processes between Catholic, other religions, and non-religious individuals, concerning sexuality and reproduction.

Subject III: Hindrances to public institutions in the field of sexuality and reproduction brought about by religious influences.

Subject IV: Negative repercussions of religious power onto people's lives.

Subject V: Discussion of the issue of religious teaching in public schools.

Subject VI: Religious teaching practices in public schools, taking into account the Brazilian population religious diversity.

Subject VII: Research on public funding of religious institutions and/or on public funds used to disseminate religious beliefs.

Subject VIII: The use of television and cyberspace by different religious groups.

Subject IX: Comparison of religious teaching regulations and strategies between Brazil and other Latin American countries.

Ação Educativa

“Human Rights to education, religious education and lay government”

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Coordination: Sergio Haddad

Purpose: To promote conceptual discussions on laity as a component of the human right to education within networks and movements for enforcement of the lay state.

Institute of Bioethics, Human Rights, and Gender

“Religious Education in Brazilian Public Schools: which pluralism?”

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Coordination: Debora Diniz

Purpose: To analyse current federal and State religious teaching regulations and to assess the quality of religious teaching textbooks in use in basic (6-to-15 years-old) education.

Association for Studies and Anthropology Research

“Sexual Diversity and Religion: The Impacts of Evangelical Practices and Speech on Non-Heterosexual Populations”

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Coordination: Luiz Fernando Dias Duarte

Purpose: To analyse religious plurality and its relationships with sexual diversity. While some religions are ostensibly intolerant to dissident sexuality, others value sexual diversity. This is a survey among non-heterosexual people and groups (being or having been religious) on their participation in churches and cults.

Catholis for the Free Choice

“Pro-Life: abortion and human rights”

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Coordination: Alcilene Cavalcante

Purpose: Since the Catholic Church has chosen “defence of life” as the theme for its annual Fraternity Campaign in 2008, this advocacy project plans to disseminate ethic, lay and religious counter-arguments that favour the defence of life dignity, calling society’s attention to the need to assure women’s reproductive rights.

Coletivo Leila Diniz - Citizenship Action and Feminist Studies e Estudos Feministas

“Sexual and reproductive rights and democratic freedom: promoting talks among health care professionals from Natal and Mossoró”

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Coordination: Analba B. Teixeira

Purpose: To set up a dialogue with public health providers in the two cities, calling their attention to the underlying Christian principles implicit in their daily practice, which hinders enforcement of the principles of the lay State and sexual and reproductive rights.

FAPEU - Research and Continuing Education Foundation

“Religious Education and Gender in Santa Catarina”

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Coordination: Miriam Pillar Grossi

Purpose: To assess how religious teaching is being implemented in the State’s public schools, focusing the analysis on the approach to subjects related to gender, sexuality and reproduction, also assessing its compliance to the model proposed by the State.

FAFE - College of Education Foundation

“Religious Education in public schools: federal and state rules and their impact on citizenship, particularly over sexuality and reproductive rights”

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Coordination: Roseli Fischmann

Purpose: To analyse legislation and norms on religious teaching, in order to assess the impact of the introduction of religious teaching in public schools on citizenship and reproductive rights.

Instituto Antigona

“Standing for legality and lay state:the developing of a monitoring technology and the understanding of law debate in Brazilian courts about abortion, same-sex spouses and adoption”

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Coordination: Miriam Ventura

Purpose: To develop a technology of juridical information for lay, nonprofessional people, so they have access to, and understand, juridical arguments used in court on sexual and reproductive rights issues: abortion, same-sex conjugality and adoption by same-sex couples; also, to disclose fallacious arguments that hinder decisions legitimacy and violate the laity principle, hence the sexual and reproductive rights.

ISER - Religion Studies Institute

“Mapping Religious Education in Brazil: standard definitions curricular topics”

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Coordination: Emerson Giumbelli

Purpose: To map the situation of religious teaching in public schools of several Brazilian States, considering the State norms and actions and the local civil society mobilization; also, to analyse curricula and textbooks produced by nationwide-reach instances for religious teaching.

IPÊ -Institute for the Promotion of Equity

“Abortion and Religion in Brazilian Law”

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Coordination: Helga L. Bevilacqua

Purpose: To map the issue of abortion in Brazilian courts, creating a database of the decisions or verdicts came to in all State and federal Brazilian courts. By analysing the collected information, some cases will be selected for in-depth case studies.

RITS - Information Network for the Third Sector

“Religious groups and cyberspace: study about strategic uses and recurrent topics”

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Coordination: Graciela Selaimen

Purpose: This advocacy research will study advances shown in electronic media and the strategies therein adopted by religious groups who traditionally oppose the feminist agenda concerning sexual and reproductive rights, in order to disseminate information to women’s groups and movements, so as to empower them to reply to conservative religious groups, as well as to map possible progressive allies.